RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA RESOLUTION NO. 19875

A RESOLUTION SETTING WASTEWATER RATES FOR ALL CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF HELENA WASTEWATER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, wastewater system users are charged a base rate, a per unit rate, and a surcharge for use of the wastewater collection system as required by §6-3-2 of the Helena City Code; and

WHEREAS, the Helena City Commission last raised wastewater rates in November of 2010; and

WHEREAS, rate increases are necessary to keep up with inflation, to cover the cost of service, provide for necessary capital improvements, and meet bonded debt coverage; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interests of the City of Helena and the inhabitants thereof that the rates and charges imposed upon wastewater customers be increased; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this resolution on the 22nd day of August, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers at 316 North Park Avenue in Helena Montana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA:

Section 1. The Helena City Commission hereby increases wastewater base, usage, and surcharge rates imposed upon all wastewater customers by **4.5**% and sets the rates as specifically shown below:

<u>Service</u>	New Rates
Wastewater Base	\$4.63 phpm ¹
Wastewater Charge per unit ²	\$2.06/unit
Wastewater Surcharge Base	\$1.37 phpm
Wastewater Surcharge per unit	\$0.39/unit

¹per hookup per month

²units are measured in HCF (100 cubic feet or approximately 748 gallons)

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Section 2. These rates are effective for the processing of utility bills occurring on or after November 1, 2011.

PASSED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST, 2011.

	/S/ James E. Smith MAYOR	
ATTEST:		
/S/ Debbie Havens CLERK OF THE COMMISSION	<u> </u>	